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Division of Community and Regional Affairs Grants Section

September 4, 2009

Dear Interested Parties:

The Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development is pleased to announce availability of **FFY 2009 Community Development Block Grant** funds. As an incorporated city or borough, you may be eligible to apply for a grant of up to \$850,000 for community development activities which benefit low and moderate income persons in your area. Approximately \$2.7 Million in competitive grant funds is available state-wide, so please don't miss this opportunity to apply. Block Grant staff are available to assist you in any way possible.

If you would like a FFY 09 CDBG Application Packet sent to you in response to this solicitation, please fax a request to 451-2742, Attention: Janet Davis. You may also call 451-2746 to request a packet. Please indicate the name of the City/Borough, an address, phone number and the name of a contact person.

Grant applications are due in the Fairbanks office of the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development by 4:30 P.M. on December 4, 2009. If you send an application by plane, rather than by mail, you must arrange for and ensure delivery of the application to 211 Cushman Street, Fairbanks, AK 99701 by 4:30 p.m. on December 4th. DCCED staff will no longer be able to retrieve packages from the airport or other locations. Awards are expected to be made in March 2010.

If you have questions about the CDBG Program or the grant application process, please feel free to contact any of the following Block Grant staff: Jill Davis at 451-2717; Pauletta Bourne at 451-2721; or Judy Haymaker at 451-2731.

Sincerely,

Jill Davis Grants Administrator